



Visit from Shandong Education Commission

On June 19, a delegation from the Shandong Education Commission visited Edmonton. This delegation was led by Mr. Meng Qing Xu, the deputy minister. The purpose of this visit was to renew the partnership contract between Edmonton Public Schools and Shandong Education Commission in support of the Confucius Institute in Edmonton. A banquet and signing ceremony was held at the CIE. A number of VIPs attended the banquet, including Hon. Teresa Woo-Paw, Associate Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, Stephen Mandel, Mayor of Edmonton, Mr. Wang Xian Ming, Deputy Consul General of Chinese Consulate



in Calgary, and MLA's Mr. David Xiao and Mr. Wayne Cao. Mr. Edgar Schmidt, the Superintendent of Edmonton Public Schools and Mr. Meng Qing Xu signed the contract of the partnership for another 5 years. At the ceremony, Donavon Creative launched the new branding project to help the CIE be better known.

2013 YCT & HSK Scholarship Award Ceremony

The CIE hosted the 2013 YCT & HSK Scholarship Award Ceremony on June 13 at the CIE's Culture Center. The awards recognized the excellent achievement of students in their YCT/HSK tests. More than 70 students from the 14 elementary, junior and senior high schools received the awards. The leaders from Edmonton Public Schools and CIE as well as many school principals attended the ceremony. The scholarship recipients from elementary schools were eligible to attend the CIE summer camp in Edmonton and those from junior and senior high schools eligible to attend a special summer camp in China. About 250 parents, teachers and students were attending the ceremony for the celebration.



The 5th CIE Summer Camp



The CIE successfully organized the 5th Summer Camp from July 2 to 5. As usual, the purpose of this summer was to designed for those elementary school students who received the scholarship awards of their YCT test as well as those students who were the winners at the 6th Chinese Bridge Competition. The camp provided the students with a variety of Chinese cultural and language learning activities. More than 50 students from Grade One to Six participated in this program and it was well received by the attended students and parents.

2013 Chinese Testing Summer Camp in China

The 2013 Chinese Testing Summer Camp was held in Beijing, organized and sponsored by Hanban, from August 4 to 15. It was attended by more than 400 students from many different countries worldwide. The CIE sent 5 students to lead by Mr. Peng Wu, the Chinese teacher at Edith Rogers Junior High. The purpose of this summer camp was to provide the opportunity for the students to improve Chinese language and get a first hand experience of Chinese culture. This special camp is an excellent way to encourage future students to take the HSK.

Up-Coming Events at CIE

- Alberta Culture Day Event**
CIE is partnership with Westend Senior Activity Center to organize a day event at CIE from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm on September 28. It will include different kinds of Chinese culture workshops, seminar on Chinese Medicine and performances. Everyone is welcome.
- Registration for CIE 2013 Fall courses has started. Please check CIE website for the details.**

Visit from the Confucius Institute of University of Saskatoon

The CIE hosted a delegation from the Confucius Institute of University of Saskatoon on July 13. The delegation of 9 was lead by the assistant dean of the Faculty of Arts and



Science Mr. David Parkinson and the CI director Dr. Zong Li. Staff from CIE and CIS exchanged their experiences and work done to support Chinese language learning and Chinese culture understanding.

It was a productive and pleasant visit and everyone suggested that such exchanges should happen often.

Chinese Bridge Competitions in China

The CIE is proud to announce it will be sending 3 students and a teacher to attend the 6th Chinese Bridge Competition in Chinese from October 20 to November 4 in Beijing. It is a great honor that CIE has received this opportunity from Chinese Consulate in Vancouver delegation to represent Western Canada in this event. We hope our students will achieve a excellent results and gain a great deal from the experience. In July, CIE sent Heather McGee, a U of A student, to China to attend the Chinese Bridge Competition for University Students. She has won a special prize with a scholarship to study in China for 6 moths. Heather has won the second place at the local Chinese Bridge Competition and was selected by Chinese Consulate in Vancouver to represent Western Canada to the competition in China. CTV, Edmonton Journal and Chinese Journal has made a report on this.

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